## IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A pet rest and recreation apparatus comprising, in combination, a storage area;
  - a rest space over said storage area; and
  - steps leading to said rest space, wherein said steps are adjacent to said storage area.
- 2. (Original) A pet rest and recreation apparatus as in claim 1 where said rest space is elevated to allow a pet to view outside a window and is located atop said storage area.
- 3. (Original) A pet rest and recreation apparatus as in claim 2 where said storage space is a closet.
- 4. (Original) A pet rest and recreation apparatus as in claim 1 where said rest space is surrounded by sides and said sides comprise handles.
- 5. (Original) A pet rest and recreation apparatus as in claim 1 where said steps partly define storage space.
- 6. (Original) A pet rest and recreation apparatus as in claim 1 where said rest space includes a mattress pad.
- 7. (Original) A pet rest and recreation apparatus as in claim 1 where said steps and said rest area are covered in carpet.
- 8. (Currently Amended) A pet rest and recreation apparatus comprising, in combination, a closet;
- a rest space atop <u>over</u> the closet <u>where wherein</u> said rest space is elevated sufficiently to allow a pet to view outside a window; and

steps <u>leading</u> to said rest space, <u>wherein said steps are</u> adjacent to the closet.

9. (Original) A pet rest and recreation apparatus as in claim 8 where said rest space is surrounded by sides and said sides comprise handles.

10. (Original) A pet rest and recreation apparatus as in claim 8 where said steps include

storage space.

11. (Original) A pet rest and recreation apparatus as in claim 8 where said rest space

includes a mattress.

12. (Original) A pet rest and recreation apparatus as in claim 8 where said steps and said

rest area are covered in carpet.

13. (Withdrawn) A pet rest and recreation apparatus as in claim 8 where said steps are

covered in carpet and said rest space includes a mattress.

14. (New) A pet rest and recreation apparatus comprising, in combination,

a substantially rectangular storage space including a pole which horizontally traverses

said storage space substantially near a top of said storage space and a door to access said

storage space;

a rest area over said storage space, wherein said rest area is elevated sufficiently to

allow a pet to view outside a window and further wherein said rest area further comprises at

least three side walls which substantially surround said rest area;

at least one step leading to said rest area, wherein said at least one step further

includes a storage drawer.

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